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Alleged inaccuracies in the electoral lists for Nuzvid taluk.

*1589 Q.—The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Revenue Divisional Officer, Nuzvid division, has enlisted voters in the electoral lists for Ramanakkapeta and Endulagudem divisions for the elections to the Nuzvid Taluk Board on mere assumption more than on proof of record; and

(b) if not, whether he will be pleased to place the record on the table particularly in respect of Anneraopeta and Krishnavaram?

A.—(a) & (b) The Government have no information. They have called for it.

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Schemes under the Hindu Religious Endowments Act.

*1590 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the cases (with names of mutts) in which the Board under the Hindu Religious Endowments Act have had to settle a scheme for the administration of endowments of mutts under section 63 of the Madras Act II of 1926, and in which such schemes have been the subject of litigation in a court of justice under section 65 of the Act and with what result;

(b) the cases in which (with names of the institution) there has been *cypres* application of endowments or surplus of endowments of any mutt;

(c) what the nature of each scheme under clause (b) is; and

(d) whether any, and if so, which of such schemes has been the subject of litigation in court, and with what result?

A.—The hon. Member is referred to the Administration Report of the Hindu Religious Endowments Board so far published. The Government have no subsequent information. Suits under section 65 of the Hindu Religious Endowments Act arise only in respect of schemes settled by a Court under section 63 and not in respect of schemes settled by the Hindu Religious Endowments Board under that section.

Excise

Proposals of the Kanara Indian Civic League regarding the retail sale of liquor.

*1591 Q.—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA: With reference to question No. 1405 answered on 1st February 1929 about the proposals by the Kanara Indian Civic League regarding the retail sale of liquor, will the hon. the Minister for Public Health be pleased to state—

(a) what definite conclusions the Government have arrived at on the proposal of the Kanara Indian Christian Civic League for conveying the country liquor from Nellikuppam and selling it in sealed bottles like the coconut arrack; and

(b) why there has been so much delay in deciding the question?

A.—(a) & (b) No decision has yet been reached. The hon. Member has been asked by Government to supply certain information which would enable them to examine the proposal fully.